

Hola Talita Cumi!

Oh my loves! I praise God every time I think of you. What joy I get in the remembrance of your faces and time I was blessed to share with you. I pray the Lord will bless a time that I may embrace you all again!

Words do very little to encompass an experience at Talita Cumi. The best way to know is to go; to be a part of something much grander, sweeter, and cherished than can be understood through words.

In Matthew 18:10 Jesus says:

"See that you do not look down on one of these little ones. For I tell you their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven." During my time at Talita Cumi I was so blessed to work with, love, and be loved by some of the most precious and valuable of all God's creation, His children. "Angels that see the FACE" of our Father! Those are some top ranking angels that God sets over to care for His children! What a thought, to work among and along side these angels. Now back in the states, I see children as more precious than ever now. What a blessing and honor to have the opportunity be with His children in Talita Cumi! What a joy the Lord gave to my heart through my time and there.

Even though at times...didn't feel that I had a clue what I was doing; every day was really a bran new day, full of opportunity. Here is an excerpt from my journal when I would doubt the value of my actions or even myself:

At times I feel like a fly on the wall, out of place and without purpose there, but then one of the girls comes up and nuzzles herself under my embrace. I smile and pray, "Lord may I love completely as you love".

In every hug, smile, and laugh, the Lord met me here. The Lord has enriched my life so much through the children, Tias, and Tios at Talita Cumi immeasurably more than I could ever express.

The Tias and Tios are some of the most supportive and inviting people I have ever met. Their heart, passion, and commitment to these children is admirable and contagious. They desire to live for more than themselves and invite others to do the same. I continue to ask the Lord to send out workers to the fields (Mat 9:28). These children are so eager to be loved and give love. The blessings come full circle. Precious, simply precious!

I love the children and Tias(os) at Talita Cumi deeply and praise God for the opportunity to share, serve, and grow with this blessed family.

Grace and Peace to you all in the glorious Name of our LORD Jesus!
May your compassion be coupled with action, and your mercy be covered by peace.

Love you all!
~tia maria :)